(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that former Special Secretary in Cabinet Secretariat, Shri V. Balachandran has suggested to constitute federal police, keeping in view the above situation; and

(d) if so, what are the plans of Government to implement this suggestion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) In comparison to that in the corresponding period in 2005, till October 31, 2006, there has been a significant decline both in terms of incidents and casualties of civilians and security forces in Jammu & Kashmir. The overall security situation in the North-Eastern States has also shown signs of improvement. In the naxal affected States, while the number of incidents has shown a marginal decline, the civilian casualties have slightly increased. Besides, there have been a few major incidents of terrorist violence at Varanasi, Nagpur, Mumbai and Malegaon till 31.10.2006 during the current year and there were some major terrorist incidents at Ayodhya, Shramjeevi Express, Hyderabad, Delhi and Bangalore in 2005.

(b) The Central and State security and intelligence agencies remain vigilant and take all appropriate measures to avoid any untoward incident and defeat the designs of such terrorist outfits.

(c) and (d) No such suggestion has come to the notice of the Government.

Inclusion of languages in Eighth Schedule

†784. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to include certain languages in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution;

(b) if so, the details of the languages selected for the Schedule; and

(c) the details of the criteria to include any language in the Eighth Schedule?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) Demands of various languages for inclusion in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution are pending with the Government.

A Committee was set up under Shri Sitakant Mohapatra to evolve a set of objective criteria for inclusion of more languages in the Eighth Schedule. The Committee has submitted its report and made certain recommendations. The demands for inclusion of more languages in the Eighth Schedule will be considered in the light of the recommendations of the Committee and Government decision thereon.

NGOs in Jharkhand

†785. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of NGOs registered in Jharkhand;

(b) the amount of assistance being received by them from different sources;

(c) whether some of these organizations have been blacklisted on the allegation of misuse of amount of assistance; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) State-wise list of Associations registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 1976 is available on MHA's website: *www.mha.nic.in/fore*. 533 Associations have been registered in Jharkhand under FC(R) Act, 1976 (Status as on 24.11.2006).

(b) The Annual Report for the year 2004-05 pertaining to receipt of foreign contribution received by FCRA registered Associations is available on MHA's website *i.e. www.mha.nic.in.*

(c) and (d) If any complaint relating to the violation of the provisions of the FC(R) Act, 1976 comes to the notice of the Government, appropriate action is taken under the Act. Such action includes placing the Associations in Prior Permission category or prohibiting it from receiving foreign

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